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May 13, 2020

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No.: 20-35414  
D.C. No.: 4:19-cv-00044-BMM  
Short Title: Northern Plains, et al v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
et al

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Dear Appellants/Counsel

A copy of your notice of appeal/petition has been received in the Clerk's office of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. The U.S. Court of Appeals docket number shown above has been assigned to this case. You must indicate this Court of Appeals docket number whenever you communicate with this court regarding this case.

Motions filed along with the notice of appeal in the district court are not automatically transferred to this court for filing. Any motions seeking relief from this court must be separately filed in this court's docket.

Please furnish this docket number immediately to the court reporter if you place an order, or have placed an order, for portions of the trial transcripts. The court reporter will need this docket number when communicating with this court.

**The due dates for filing the parties' briefs and otherwise perfecting the appeal have been set by the enclosed "Time Schedule Order," pursuant to applicable FRAP rules. These dates can be extended only by court order. Failure of the appellant to comply with the time schedule order will result in automatic dismissal of the appeal. 9th Cir. R. 42-1.**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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NORTHERN PLAINS RESOURCE  
COUNCIL; BOLD ALLIANCE;  
NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE  
COUNCIL; SIERRA CLUB; CENTER  
FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY;  
FRIENDS OF THE EARTH,

Plaintiffs - Appellees,

v.

UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF  
ENGINEERS; TODD T. SEMONITE,  
In his official capacity and U.S. Army  
Chief of Engineers and Commanding  
General of the U.S. Army Corps of  
Engineers,

Defendants,

TRANSCANADA KEYSTONE  
PIPELINE, LP; TC ENERGY  
CORPORATION; STATE OF  
MONTANA,

Intervenor-Defendants,

and

AMERICAN GAS ASSOCIATION;  
AMERICAN PETROLEUM  
INSTITUTE; ASSOCIATION OF OIL

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U.S. District Court for Montana,  
Great Falls

**TIME SCHEDULE ORDER**

PIPE LINES; INTERSTATE  
NATURAL GAS ASSOCIATION OF  
AMERICA; NATIONAL RURAL  
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE  
ASSOCIATION,

Intervenor-Defendants -  
Appellants.

The parties shall meet the following time schedule.

If there were reported hearings, the parties shall designate and, if necessary, cross-designate the transcripts pursuant to 9th Cir. R. 10-3.1. If there were no reported hearings, the transcript deadlines do not apply.

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| <b>Wed., May 20, 2020</b>       | Appellants' Mediation Questionnaire due. If your registration for Appellate CM/ECF is confirmed after this date, the Mediation Questionnaire is due within one day of receiving the email from PACER confirming your registration. |
| <b>Fri., June 12, 2020</b>      | Transcript shall be ordered.   |
| <b>Mon., July 13, 2020</b>      | Transcript shall be filed by court reporter.   |
| <b>Fri., August 21, 2020</b>    | Appellants' opening brief and excerpts of record shall be served and filed pursuant to FRAP 31 and 9th Cir. R. 31-2.1.   |
| <b>Mon., September 21, 2020</b> | Appellees' answering brief and excerpts of record shall be served and filed pursuant to FRAP 31 and 9th Cir. R. 31-2.1.  |

**The optional appellants' reply brief shall be filed and served within 21 days of service of the appellees' brief, pursuant to FRAP 31 and 9th Cir. R. 31-2.1.**

**Failure of the appellants to comply with the Time Schedule Order will result in automatic dismissal of the appeal. See 9th Cir. R. 42-1.**

FOR THE COURT:

MOLLY C. DWYER  
CLERK OF COURT

By: John Brendan Sigel  
Deputy Clerk  
Ninth Circuit Rule 27-7